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Application Number	09/849,041
Filing Date	May 4, 2001
First Named Inventor	Herbert Reiners
Art Unit	3652
Examiner Name	Paul T. Chin
Attorney Docket Number	1113-001PRE

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
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- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
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- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Petition for Two Month Extension

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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- a. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ \$385,\$210.00 enclosed
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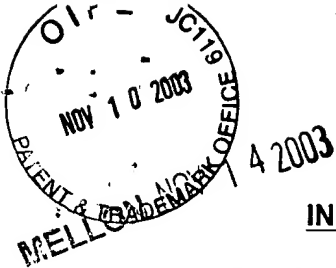
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Sir:

We enclose for filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), a Request for Two Month Extension of Time, and an Amendment in the above patent application.

Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$385.00 (based on Small Entity Status) covering the filing fee, and a check in the amount of \$210.00 for the Petition Fee and a duplicate copy of this letter of transmittal and authority.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge, currently or in the future, any fee deficiency in connection with this transmittal or which is indispensable to obtain a filing date, or to maintain the pendency of the application, to our deposit account No. 190748.

Respectfully submitted,

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